

Claims:

1. A method of modifying a product configuration form, the method comprising the steps of:
 - receiving over a network a form modification request from a client computer;
 - generating in a design system an updated product configuration form in which at least one question-answer field is modified in accordance with the form modification request and permitted design configurations; and
 - sending the updated product configuration form over the network to the client computer.
2. The method of claim 1, further comprising the steps of:
 - displaying the product configuration form on the client computer;
 - receiving an input corresponding to a modification to the product configuration form on the client computer;
 - sending the form modification request to the design system over the network;
 - receiving over the network the updated product configuration form from the design system; and
 - displaying the updated product configuration form on the client computer.
3. The method of claim 1, further comprising the steps of:
 - receiving on the design system a product configuration request and at least one output option from the client computer; and
 - generating at least one output in accordance with the product configuration request and the at least one output option.

4. The method of claim 3, wherein the step of generating the at least one output includes the steps of:

retrieving product configuration information from a database;
loading at least one computer aided design object into a computer aided design system; and
modifying the at least one computer aided design object in accordance with the product configuration request and the product configuration information.

5. The method of claim 4, wherein the step of generating the at least one output further includes the steps of:

generating assembly instructions from the product configuration request and the product configuration information;
sending the assembly instructions to the computer aided design system;
assembling the at least one computer aided design object in accordance with the assembly instructions; and
outputting an assembled computer aided design object in accordance with the output option.

6. The method of claim 5, wherein the step of outputting the assembled computer aided design object includes the step of displaying a view of the assembled computer aided design object on the client computer.

7. The method of claim 1, wherein the network includes an internet.